

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Entry of this Amendment After Allowance Under 37 C.F.R. §1.312 is respectfully requested since it does not add any new matter or require further consideration and/or search.

Changing “conductor portions” to “metal plating layers” was made to clarify the language in Claims 1 and 2. The deletion of the term “exposed” in Claims 2 and 3 was made to remove an incorrect antecedence. The amendments to Claims 1 and 2, where “conduction” has been changed to “conductor,” were made to maintain terminology consistency in the claims. The addition of “layers” in Claim 2 was made to maintain terminology consistency for the claimed “metal plating layers.”

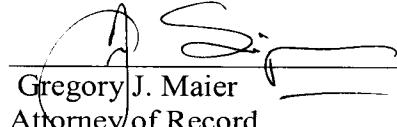
These informalities were discovered by applicants’ attorney during a post-allowance review of the claims and applicants’ attorney has been diligent in correcting any informalities that he has become aware of.

Respectfully submitted,

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